

CLAIMS

1 1. A method for providing printer information to a user, the method comprising:
2 displaying a dialog box to a user in response to a user input, the dialog box
3 including a link to a Web page, the Web page comprising information corresponding
4 to the printer being used by the user; and
5 in response to the user actuating the link, providing the user with the
6 information corresponding to the printer.

1 2. The method of claim 1, wherein:
2 the dialog box comprises multiple pages; and
3 in displaying the dialog box to the user, the link is provided on a first of the
4 pages that is displayed.

1 3. The method of claim 2, wherein the dialog box is a print dialog box.

1 4. The method of claim 3, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties
2 actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages; and
3 the link is provided on a first of the pages displayed to the user in response to
4 actuating the Properties actuator.

1 5. The method of claim 3, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties
2 actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays multiple pages; and
3 the link is provided on one of the pages displayed to the user in response to
4 actuating the Properties actuator.

1 6. The method of claim 3, wherein the print dialog box comprises a Properties
2 actuator, which, in response to actuation thereof, displays a Layout page, a Print
3 Quality page, an About page and a Support Manual page; and
4 the link is provided on the Support Manual.

1 7. The method of claim 1, wherein the Web page comprises information
2 corresponding to use manual of the printer.

1 8. The method of claim 1, wherein:
2 the method additionally comprises providing a list of printers from which the
3 user is able to print, each of the printers having corresponding printer information
4 associated therewith; and
5 in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, a corresponding
6 link to a Web page that comprises the printer information associated with the printer
7 selected is displayed.

1 9. A method for providing printer information to a user, the method comprising:
2 providing information corresponding to a link to a user of a printer, the link
3 corresponding to a Web site, the Web site comprising information corresponding to
4 the printer, the link being displayable to the user in response to a user input such that,
5 in response to the user actuating the link, the user is provided with the information
6 corresponding to the printer.

1 10. The method of claim 9, wherein, in providing information corresponding to a
2 link to a user of a printer, the information is installed in the printer.

1 11. The method of claim 9, wherein, in providing information corresponding to a
2 link to a user of a printer, the user installs the information in the printer.

1 12. The method of claim 9, wherein:
2 the Web site comprises multiple Web pages; and
3 the link corresponds to one of the Web pages that comprises information
4 corresponding to a user manual of the printer.

1 13. The method of claim 9, wherein:
2 the user has access to multiple printers; and
3 the method further comprises:
4 providing the user with a link to a Web page that comprises printer
5 information corresponding to one of the multiple printers currently selected by the
6 user.

1 14. A system for providing printer information to a user, the system comprising:
2 a link display system operative to display a link to a Web page to a user in
3 response to a user input, the link being displayed in association with a dialog box, the
4 Web page comprising information corresponding to the printer being used by the user
5 such that, in response to the user actuating the link, the user is provided with the
6 information corresponding to the printer.

1 15. The system of claim 14, further comprising:
 2 a computer system comprising:
 3 a processor operative to execute instructions;
 4 memory communicating with the processor and operative to store
 5 instruction executable by the processor; and
 6 printer interface instructions stored by the memory, the printer interface
 7 instructions being operative to display a print dialog box to the user in response to a
 8 user input, the link being displayed in association with the print dialog box.

1 16. The system of claim 14, wherein:
 2 the printer interface instructions are executable to display a list of printers with
 3 which the computer system has access, each of the printers having corresponding
 4 printer information associated therewith; and
 5 in response to the user selecting one of the printers of the list, the link display
 6 system is operative to display a corresponding link to a Web page that comprises the
 7 printer information associated with the printer selected.

1 17. The system of claim 14, further comprising:
 2 a printer communicating with the computer system.

1 18. The system of claim 14, wherein the link display system is stored by the
 2 printer.

1 19. The system of claim 14, wherein the link display system is stored by the
 2 computer system.

- 1 20. The system of claim 14, further comprising:
- 2 means for displaying the link.